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In re application of:

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Preliminary Amendment

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In advance of prosecution, please amend the application as follows.

In the Claims

Please carcel claims 1-2/1 (2/2 total claims, two claims were inadvertently listed as claim

4) without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter thereof.

Please add the following claims 23-116:

An isolated polynucleotide comprising a nucleic acid at least 90% identical to 150 contiguous nucleotides of SEQ ID NO:1.

The polynucleotide of claim 23, wherein said nucleic acid is at least 95% identical 24. to 150 contiguous nucleotides of SEQ ID NO:1.